between Rajkot and Jabalpur. Daily running of Amarkantak Express has not been found feasible at present due to operational and resource constraints.

Angul-Dubri-Sukinda Road Rail Project in Orissa

4029. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether location survey on Angul-Dubri-Sukinda Road rail Project in Orissa has been completed and survey report has been submitted; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to ensure expeditious completion of land acquisition for the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) The Final Location Survey has been completed and the report is under finalisation.

(b) Does not arise.

4030. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have urged the Union Government to provide a Rs. 14,000 crore outlay for the year 2002-2003;

(b) if so, what are the main projects on which the Railways are likely to utilise this amount:

(c) whether the Union Government have agreed to provide this amount; and

(d) if so, to what extent the Railways would complete the projects are pending for long?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Safety Norms for Rail Passengers

4031. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Supreme Court has issued directions to the Railways for strict implementation of safety norms for travelling passengers;

(b) if so, what is preventing the Railways to implement such norms recommended by various Railway Accident Enquiry Committees; and

(c) by when such guidelines/norms would be followed for safe travel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) No, Sir. A public Interest Litigation has been filed against Railways in the Supreme Court alleging that adequatee attention is not paid by the Railways to measures for safety and modernization. The matter is subjudice and the Writ Petition is being heard by the Hon'ble Supreme Court.

(b) and (c) Of the earlier Railway Accident Enquiry Committees, the Railway Safety Review Committee-98 (Khanna Committee) is the latest and was required to review the implementation of recommendations of the earlier Committees also. "Views of Ministry of Railways" on the recommendations made in Part-I of the Report of Khanna Committee have been finalised and the details of its recommendations are given below:

Accepted	103
Partially accepted	28
Not Accepted	19
Total	150

"Views of Ministry of Railways" on 128 recommendations of Part-II of the report are presently under finalization.

Action has already been initiated to implement the accepted recommendations of Part-I of the report. Depending upon the resources and success of trails in some cases, the recommendations are implemented progressively.

To imptement one of the recommendations of Khanna Committee, a non-lapsable Special Railway Safety Fund of Rs. 17,.000 crores has been setup to wipe but arrears in renewal of over-aged assets within a fixed time frame of 6 years.

Unmanned railway crossings in Orissa

4032. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of unmanned railway crossings in Orissa;

(b) the number of such unmanned railway crossings on which Government